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OUR SENTIMENTS EXPRESSED

Lexington Herald Makes Some Timely Suggestions to The Burley Association

In a recent issue of the Lexington Herald a strong editorial appeared, making some kindly and timely suggestions to the Burley Tobacco Growers Co-operative Association. The editorial so well expresses the sentiments of the Record, we are publishing it here in full.—Editor.

"The Herald is glad that the officers of the Burley Cooperative Association have announced publicly, through the columns of the papers, the advances which will be made on the various grades of tobacco, and welcomes the statement that the members of the association are satisfied with the prospect of the 1922 crop and with the advances being paid to them on the deliveries of their tobacco at the receiving plants of the association.

All readers of The Herald know how earnestly we advocated the organization of the association, and how persistently we have expressed our confidence in the success of the association. Because of that advocacy and that belief, we feel we will not be misunderstood if we suggest, with all courtesy, that there is, in our judgment need for greater publicity in regard to the affairs of the association than there has heretofore been. In making this suggestion we think it incumbent to say that we do not know a better newspaper man or publicity man than J. Sherman Porter, who has charge of the publicity of the Burley Association, but we realize, of course, that he not only should be, but must be, controlled by the policy of the association, and in our judgment that policy has so far been a mistaken one.

We appreciate fully that those who are not trained to appreciate the need for publicity, particularly those whose lives have been spent in the conduct of private business, have an innate, as well as cultivated aversion to publicity, and it is not unnatural that the officers of a great organization, far and away the most important in the burley belt, should to a large extent be controlled by the same feeling that would be dominant and proper in the conduct of a private corporation.

The Burley Association, however, is not in any sense a private corporation. One of the chief arguments in favor of its organization was the somewhat revolutionary provision that every member should have equal voice. In a corporation the member's vote is measured by the amount of stock he owns. In the Burley Association it is not measured by the amount of land he controls, nor by the amount of tobacco he pledges, nor by the service he renders, but is the very ultimate development of democracy in that the individual, as an individual, has equal voice with every other individual in determining by vote the policy of the association.

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We feel somewhat responsible for the policy that has been followed. Due to our earnest purpose to do all possible to aid the association and nothing that could injure it, we gladly agreed, if, in fact, we did not suggest, that the association itself have an authorized publicity man to give to the public, in authentic and accurate form, the information which should be given. As a corollary of that arrangement, the members of The Herald force were instructed to look only to the representative of the

association as the source of news in regard to the affairs of the association. But we now know that much greater publicity should be given than has been and that various matters that have either intentionally or unintentionally been unrecorded in the public prints should be recorded, so all may know the facts and false and unfounded charges may be dissipated in the light of accurate information.

As an illustration, there was wide interest in the prices paid for the fifty-four million pounds of tobacco purchased from the association by Mr. Kirk. It was entirely reasonable and proper for the officers of the association to make no announcement of these prices that could by any chance lead to false hopes or extravagant anticipation. But according to report it has been some weeks since that transaction was closed, the tobacco delivered and paid for. In our judgment every member of the association and every resident of the burley belt had a right to know what were the prices paid and what would be the approximate amount for distribution as quickly as the officers of the association had that information.

The association is not only founded on the basis of a democracy in which each individual has equal voice with every other individual, but it is founded on the principle of community interest, and the chief plea for its organization was that every class was interested and would benefit through its successful operation.

If a personal reference may be permissible, we realized fully that the organization of the association meant a direct curtailment of the advertising revenue of The Herald. With the tobacco warehouses in competition, The Herald could count on advertising patronage during the selling season to the extent of thousands of dollars. With the association in control of all the warehouses, there would, of course, be no such revenue. The merchants of Lexington and of every town in which there was a loose leaf market realized that there would be a curtailment of retail trade during what had been the congested season for the sale of the whole crop.

But the merchants and The Herald, accepting and adopting the plea that the association is, in essence, a community organization, aided in every way possible to bring it into life and to make it a success, and the bankers of the Blue Grass also rendered most notable service. Every banker, every merchant, whether in a city or at a cross-roads, every contractor, every business man, has an interest to know quickly the amount of money received by the association, the amount of debt that the association owed, and the amount, therefore, that will be distributed to the growers. It is not, in our judgment, either wise or proper for there to be any further retention of that knowledge by the officers of the association beyond the day they knew accurately the amount that will be distributed.

There are other incidental matters which we believe should be made public, if our view of the function, the spirit and the future of the association is correct. The association is, in our judgment, founded on the postulate, and its future depends on the assumption, that it will secure the services of the very best men whose services can be purchased for every position from the most modestly paid employee to the highest salaried officer. It should not be a question of price but a question of efficiency and of service rendered, and there is no justification for the employment of any man in any position, high or low, except that he is the very best man that can be employed. In our opinion, no public officer is more responsible for the future comfort, culture and happiness of the burley belt than the officers of the Burley Association. If we be correct, each and every one of them occupies a dual position—that of an officer of the association, and of a servant of the people upon whose support the success of the association depends. We therefore think it not only wise but incumbent upon the officers of the association to have it a matter of as general knowledge as it is in regard to public officers, who are the officers, why they are chosen, and the wages or salaries paid to them.

It may be that many will differ with us. It may be of course, that we are in error. But we believe every matter affecting the association that can be made public without injustice to others or injury to the association, should be made public.

The officials of the association are human. They are liable at times to make errors. Tremendous success has attended the first year of its operation, due in large measure to the ability and service of the officers, but also due in large measure to causes over which they had no con-

Arnold-Speake

Mr. Robert Louis Speake, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Speake, and Miss Lilly Mae Arnold, attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Arnold, eloped, to Jeffersonville, Ind., last Saturday afternoon, where they were married. It came as quite a surprise to their friends, who will extend congratulations and best wishes upon their return.

The bride is very beautiful indeed and the groom is energetic, moral and deserving young man.

Middleton-Herron

Mr. Sam Herron, son of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Herron, of this city, was married in Cincinnati last Wednesday to Miss Elizabeth Middleton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Middleton, of this city. The marriage is the culmination of a long and happy courtship and the many friends of both extend hearty congratulations and wish them much happiness thru life. They will make their home in Corbin, Ky., where the groom holds a lucrative position with the L. & N. Railroad.

Bryant-Murphy

The marriage of Mr. Homer Murphy, of this city to Miss Cora Bryant, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Bryant, also of this city, was solemnized in Danville last Thursday evening. Immediately after the ceremony the happy couple motored thru to Cincinnati, where they spent several days, returning to this city Tuesday where they will make their home. Mr. Murphy is one of the foremost and most competent mechanic at Haselden Bros. Garage and has many warm friends who will congratulate him upon winning his charming young bride.

Editor Walton Marries

It was quite a surprise to his friends in Garrard when the news reached here of the marriage of Editor E. C. Walton, of Stanford and Mrs. Anna Evans Miller, of Mt. Vernon, the ceremony taking place in Louisville last Monday afternoon. The groom is editor and publisher of the Interior Journal, one of the best country newspapers in the state, while his bride owns and edits the Mt. Vernon Signal. She is also the official stenographer in her district and holds a secretarial position on the State Railroad Commission. She is very attractive and charming young widow. This is the third matrimonial venture for the groom and a more popular gentleman does not live in Kentucky. A host of Garrard friends extend hearty congratulations.

Farm Sells

The James Swope farm containing 217 acres was sold last week, privately to Mr. J. H. Goggins, of Lincoln county. The farm lies near Hubble and is considered a good one. The price was not given out.

There is but one Go-Getta-Man.

Ground Barley, Cremo Dairy Feed, Horse and Mule Feed, Wheat Middlings, Purina Cow Chow, Purina Pig Chow. Hudson & Farnau.

There have been two short crops of tobacco; the crop this year, is declared to be of the best quality that has been produced in the last decade.

The real test is yet to come. It is far better that every person in the Blue Grass shall be made to realize that the officers and representatives of the association have no false pride of opinion, and have an intense desire to keep in touch with every class of the community, bankers, newspaper men, farmers—all who make up the great mass upon the sentiment of which depends, ultimately, the continued success of the association, and when mistakes are made to give the definite, accurate information in regard to those mistakes, so that they may not be magnified either through ignorance or intent.

We earnestly hope the officers of the association will direct the publicity department to furnish the newspapers all facts in which the members of the association and the public are interested, for we desire to continue the present arrangement, under which the news of the association comes through the accredited representative of the association, rather than to resume the practice of gathering that news through the regular staff and crops of correspondents of The Herald, with the possibility always of not being able to secure it accurately when it is given by those who do not have full knowledge.

Draws Little Stove

The miniature Majestic stove that was given away by Conn Brothers last Saturday afternoon was drawn by Mr. Tom Wells, of this county. The drawing attracted a large crowd and many little girls were disappointed that they should not have held the lucky number. Mr. Wells has five little girls who were made over joyous at having received so handsome and valuable little stove.

Good Service

Postmaster Brown and his corps of assistants, gave the public unusual good service during the holiday rush, keeping the window for the public open several hours last Sunday and two hours over the usual time on Christmas day in order to hand out the large amount of packages that was on hand. The public we are sure are deeply grateful for this service, for no better or more efficient set of officials can be found than are those in the Lancaster postoffice.

Scott

William S. Scott, aged 57 years, died at his home on the Buckeye pike yesterday morning, after several months illness of tuberculosis.

Mr. Scott conducted a blacksmith business near his home for several years and was well liked by his neighbors and friends. He leaves a wife and several children, who have the deepest sympathy of all in the loss of a father and husband. Burial took place today in the Lancaster cemetery.

Good Sale

A splendid crowd turned out last Friday to attend the personality sale of household effects of Sam Cotton. The bidding was never more spirited than at this sale and everything sold well. The household goods totaling about \$2,500. The dining room set brought \$515.00 and was purchased by Mrs. J. T. Coy, of Madison. Col. Am Bourne was the auctioneer and did his work well, as he generally does.

Buys City Property

Mr. Charlie Rigby has recently purchased the property of Clarence Green on Danville avenue, for \$4,500 cash and will move with his family to Lancaster in the next few days. We are glad to welcome Mr. Rigby and his family and trust their sojourn with us will be permanent.

More Turkeys

Mrs. C. M. Hulette, of Bryantsville sold twelve turkeys a few weeks ago that weighed 242 pounds and for which she received \$86.08. Another extra good turkey sale.

LOST:—A Cameo Pin. Liberal reward if returned to this office or Phone 215.

Thursday—Friday—Saturday
December 28th., 29th., 30th.

at
Romans' Opera House
All Star Vaudeville Review
8—People—8 5—Acts—5

A Guaranteed Attraction
Change of Program each night
also

Thursday—Big Feature Picture
Friday—Hurricane Hutch Serial
Saturday—Famous Player Feature
Packard Show Ford Prices
Adults 35cts. Children 15cts.
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Ballard's Kentucky Farm Feed,
Ballard's Pure Wheat Bran, Tankage
for hogs and chickens.
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100 per cent is considered by us as the perfect degree. When the mental forces are hindered, do not vibrate at least 100 per cent, we have a diseased body—the cell structure ceases to function normally.

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Train Hits Truck

Price Floyd, colored, and driver for the truck of the Garrard Milling Company, was severely injured last Thursday when a train on the Southern Railway struck his truck at the crossing near Danville on the Harrodsburg pike. Floyd was thrown from the machine and was knocked unconscious. He was taken to the Danville hospital and immediate medical attention was given him. He has recovered sufficiently to be brought home and is now improving. The truck was badly damaged. Floyd was returning from Harrodsburg where he had taken a load of tobacco for the Burley Association.

Legion Meeting

On Tuesday, January 2nd., there will be a meeting of the Heidelberg Post of the American Legion at the I. O. O. F. Hall in Lancaster at 7:30 P. M.

This is a very important meeting and it is hoped that every ex-service man in Garrard County will attend. If you are an ex-service man but are not a member of the American Legion please bear in mind the advantages of belonging to such a real live 100 per cent American organization and come in on above mentioned date and turn in your application.

"You'll know and understand"—watch for the Go-Getta-Man.

To Burley Members

Growers having Registration Numbers from 1 to 91 inclusive, will please call Garrard Warehouse (Phone No. 505) and get date for delivery, for next week.

All members who have not registered, who have tobacco READY FOR DELIVERY, may call by phone or in person and receive your Registration Number and watch the paper each week for your number.
(It) G. A. Brown, Mgr.

New Champion Cow

For Kentucky

With a 365-day semi-official record of 24,907 pounds of milk containing 825.3 pounds butterfat equivalent to 1,031.6 pounds butter, Oakwood Segis De Kol Johanna, an eight-year-old purebred Holstein, is the new Kentucky champion butter producing cow over all breeds and ages. She is owned by the Kentucky Holstein Farm at Bardstown.

Notice to Parents

There has been a number of boys playing in the cemetery. Signs that were posted throughout the cemetery have been removed by some one. This will have to be stopped and all parents are asked to please instruct their children to stay out of the cemetery, if not parents will be held responsible. By order of the board.
(It) S. B. Henry, Supt.

Watch the Record next week and you'll know the Go-Getta-Man.

Burley Members Pleased



(Drawn by Clay Sutton)

Uncle Henry—"I joined the Burley Pool early and I have since cleaned up every debt I owe. You now behold a happy and prosperous man"

Uncle Silas—"Well, I did the same thing, and since receiving payment on my recent deliveries of tobacco I have on hand more money than I know what to do with. By the way, if you happen to run across anybody who needs any money just refer him to me."

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Beautifully Rendered at Christian Church Last Sunday

The Christmas services at the Christian church last Sunday were of unusual merit and helpfulness.

In the morning a Christmas cantata entitled "Bethlehem," was given by the choir. Mrs. Mae Hughes Noland, the director and organist, and the singers had worked faithfully in preparation and this work showed in the practically perfect rendering of the cantata.

The auditorium had been decorated in evergreen with a large white cross immediately in front of the organ. The windows were draped with the light, and candles were effectively placed in the decorations. The choir members were clad in white. Everything in the surroundings brightened the effect of the old but beautiful Christmas story as it was told in song and scripture readings.

Several requests that the cantata be repeated have been made; but at the present time it is not definitely known whether it will be repeated or not. If so, announcement will be made next Sunday morning.

The evening services consisted of a religious program. Again the decorations were very effective and the different parts well rendered. The story of the birth of Christ was depicted in song and pantomime. The Madonnas, the Wise Men and the Shepherds were impressively represented while the singing, as in the morning, was very beautiful. The young men and women of Mrs. Currey's Sunday School Class put the pageant on and thereby placed the congregation and many others of the community under obligation to them.

Large crowds filled the auditorium morning and evening. At the close of the pageant in the evening a thank offering, consisting of provisions and money was made. Some of those in need in the community were remembered and a barrel of canned fruit and preserves was sent to the Orphans Home at Louisville. The money offering, amounting to about \$75.00, was sent to the Board of Ministerial Relief to help pension the aged ministers among the Disciples.

Baptist Church News

The joint program given by the Sunbeams and the Junior Union last Sunday evening was interesting and instructive and enjoyable by all present. The treat for the Sunday school scholars was given out at the close of the program.

The services next Sunday will be of interest to all, but to members in particular, as we will have a roll call of the membership. The topic for the morning will be "Visions and Vows," and in the evening there will be a watchnight service, topic, "What of the Night."

The Sunday School and Young People's services at the usual hour. All are invited to attend our services.